

REMARKS

In the Office Action of September 20, 2006, the Examiner imposed a restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 having identified three purportedly distinct inventions:

- I. claims 1-39, and 46-47 drawn to routing/distributing of data through a distributed computer network, classified in class 370, subclass 395.2;
- II. claims 40-43, drawn to error recovery in failed nodes, classified in class 714, subclass 2; and
- III. claims 44-45, drawn to network performance maps, classified in class 709, subclass 224.

Applicants hereby elect to proceed with examination of Group I (claims 1-39 and 46-47), and cancel the claims of Group II (claims 40-43), and Group III (claims 44-45) as being drawn to non-elected inventions.

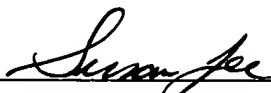
CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing amendments, Applicants believe the restrictions to the claims have been addressed. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the case, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative.

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